2. Wetland grass should be controlled primarily through buldozing and grass after removal should be disposed of amongst the adjoining villages for stock-feeding. Grazing should not be in any case be permitted and the feral cattle population should be controlled.

3. Khus grass should be exploited to control it.

4. In the current season both wetland and dryland grass should be controlled by head-load extraction permits given to ajacent villagers on a ration-card basis.

5. For prevention of fires, extensive fire-lines be made and controlled burning be practiced. No single block of grass should be more than 50 hectares

6. The National Park is highly deficient in fire-fighting resources, both of men and material. Necessary fire-fighting equipment including water tankers need to be obtained. Forest guards should be given territorial duties and constant training practice in handling fire beaters.

7. A manual should be got prepared for fire fighting.

8. A peripheral road should be got constructed for improving commuting and communications. The wireless network should be improved.

9. The action should be taken to rehabilitate villagers affected by the stoppage of grazing.

10. The adequate filling of the Ajan Bandh be ensured by a joint management of the water flow by both the Forest and Irrigation Departments.

11. While taking care that the ecological importance of the park is not affected by tourism, the education aspects of management need to be improved.

12. The administration of the Park should be vested in an autonomous board with a separate accounting entity.

13. Electric Vans or trolleys be purchased for the movement of tourists.

Dispute in B.M. Institute of Mental Health, Ahmedabad.

1598. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the three year old dispute between the management and staff of the B. M. Institute of Mental Health, Ahmedabad;

(b) whether Government are also aware that the management has flouted several court directives including that of the Supreme Court; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to ensure that court orders are enforced and the rights of workers and employees of the Institute protected?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) to (c) Information which is being collected, will be laid on the Table of the House

Supply of fighter aircraft to Pakistan by a US firm in collaboration with China

1599. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether Government are aware that a US firm Gruman is collaborating with China to supply about 100 fighter aircrafts to Pakistan; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken to counter such a threat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Government are aware that in January, 1987, the US company Gruman announced that it was beginning a feasibility study to examine the possibility of marrying Chinese F-7 air frames with US engines and avionics.

(b) Government are alert to all development that have a bearing on India's security and will take necessary steps to counter any threat.

Acquiring of Frigates by Pakistan from West Germany

1600. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the reported move of Pakistan to acquire frigates from West Germany; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Government are aware of reports to this effect.

(b) Government are keeping a constant watch on all such developments which have a bearing on the country's security.

Import of life saving essential equipment

1601. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in order to import life saving essential equipment no less than five Government agencies have to be approached for a permit;

(b) whether Government propose to change the procedure and have one window where permits can be obtained; and

(c) if so, when a decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (c) Most of the life-saving equipments are allowed for import under Open General Licence i.e. without an import licence *vide* List 2 of Appendix 6 of the Import-Export Policy for the period April 1985—March 1988 and as per Item 33 of Appendix 6 of the Policy, these life-saving equipments and their spares can be imported by all persons (under OGL). However, equipments not covered by OGL provisions can be imported on *ad hoc* licence and applications for such licences are considered by the office of CCI&E and decided expeditiously provided they are recommended by Director of Medical Services/Medical educations of the concerned State.

Merging of Northern areas of Pakistan with Pak-occupied Kashmir

1602. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL:
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the reported Pak move to merge its northern areas with Pak-occupied Kashmir; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Government are aware of efforts in Pakistan to alter the status of territories forming a part of Pak-occupied Kashmir.

We have repeatedly conveyed to Pakistan tha it has no *locus standi* in POK which is an integral part of India and that the only issue which remains to be resolved is the vacation of Indian territory under Pakistan's illegal occupation.

Setting up of a restaurant in London by ITDC

1603. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state: